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BELGIAN LACES # 10  
May 1979

Dear Members of The Belgian Researchers:

We welcome the Brown Co. Library, 515 Pine St., Green Bay, Wisc. 54301 as a new member of our organization; Mrs. Mary Jane Herber is the head of the Local History and Genealogy Dept. of the Brown Co. Library.

PLEASE NOTE that Pierre Inghels will be staying in Arizona until the end of JULY and not May like it was previously stated. His address in Arizona is : 31, E. Limberlost, Tucson, Arizona. 85705

We have many names to add to our list, here they are:

- 15 BAC/BACK, 1710? Bonlez, BT.
- 14 de BOEVE, De Bilt, Netherland, 1886, Laeken, BT.
- 15 BERO, 1759, Chaumont, BT.
- 14 BRABANT, 1750? Ninove, EF.
- 15 BRASSINE, 1755? Bonlez, BT.
- 14 COLPAERT, 1788, Ledeberg, EF.
- 14 COPPENS, 1750? Meerendre, EF.
- 31 COUSIN, 1725? Warneton ? HT.
- 24 CRANENBROEK, 1770? Braine-Lalleud ? BT.
- 14 CREMERS, 1760? Aalst ? EF.
- 15 DAIX/DAISE, 1723, Bonlez, BT.
- 24 DAYE, 1878 Chatelineau; HT; Waterloo, BT., BRAINE LALLEUD, BT.
- 14 DE BOCK, 1816, Stekene, EF.
- 14 DE BOEY, 1760? Stekene ? EF?
- 14 DE CLERCQ, 1760? Ledeberg ? EF?
- 15 DEGUELD, 1790? Bonlez, BT. correction to DEGUELDRE, 1786, Grez Doiceau, BT.
- 14, DE KLEENE, 1750? Gent? EF.
- 14 DE PAPE, 1810? Munkzwalm ? EF.
- 14 DE RIJCKE, 1750? Stekene, EF.
- 14 DE SMET, Gent, EF. Mariakerke-Gent, EF.
- 14 DE WEIRT, 1720 ? Gent? EF.
- 15 DIVE, 1734 ? Bonlez, BT.
- 16 FLAMAND 1750? Etalle, LX.
- 15 FRONVILLE, 1800?, Bonlez? BT., correction to 1788, Bonlez.
- 15 GERARD, 1700? Bonlez. BT.
- 15 GILLOT, 1730? Bonlez? BT.
- 14 HAMEAU, 1814, Gent, EF., Gent-Steewerck, EF.
- 14 HAMERLINCK, 1838, Gent, EF.
- 14 HODUSTER, 1790? Nevele ? EF?
- 31 LAHOUSSE, 1780? Warneton ? HT.
- 14 LAUWENS, 1759, Schaerbeek, BT.
- 15 LEFEBRUE, 1702, Bonlez, BT.
- 15 LEVIS, 1730? Grez Doiceau? BT.
- 14 LIJNS, 1760? Gent? EF.
- 14 MAES, 1795, Schaerbeek, BT.
- 15 MARTIN, 1700? Bonlez ? BT.
- 14 MEERT, 1758, Schaerbeek, BT.
- 31 MIL or MILLE, 1725 ? Warneton? HT.
- 14 PHILIPPO, 1813, Nevele, EF., Ledeberg, EF.
- 14 PIRON, 1760? Ledeberg, EF.
- 24 PITERHONS, 1810? Waterloo? BT, correction to 1794, Braine-Lalleud, BT.
- 14 PUTTEMANS, 1730? Schaerbeek, BT.
- 14 PUTZEYS, 1785 Aalst, EF.

14 RAES, 1865, Schaerbeek, BT.  
 14 ROSSEL, 1789, Gent, EF.  
 24 RANDOUX, 1770? Waterloo? BT.  
 15 STAS, 1730, ?Chaumont? Bt.  
 14 STEVENS, 1770? Gent? EF.  
 14 VAN DEN EYNDE, 1824 Schaerbeek, BT.  
 14 VAN DEUREN, 1790, Schaerbeek, BT.  
 14 VAN HEFFEN, 1730? Schaerbeek, BT.  
 14 VAN HULLE, 1780? Meerendre, EF.  
 14 VAN MUYLDER, 1730? Schaerbeek, BT.  
 14 VERHAEGEN, 1760 ? Mechelen ? AN?  
 14 VERHEYLEZON, 1868, Gent, EF. Munkzwalm, EF.  
 14 VERRIJDEN/VERHEYDEN, 1894, Gent, EF. Liege, LG. Mechelen, AN.  
 14 VESPER, 1820? Herwen en Aerd? Netherland  
 14 WIJSEVELDE, 1787, Stekene, EF.  
 14 WELLEKENS, 1730? Schaerbeek, BT.

Once in a while we have people who will inquire about The Belgian Researchers, Inc. and give us some informations about their ancestors. Since they are not members of TBR, I am not listing their names and addresses, only the names of their ancestors, should you want names and addresses just contact me.

I 06 BACK or BAECK, Berchem Stop?? AN? 1820?  
 I 13 BEHIELS, 1808, Stekene, EF.  
 I 13 BLENDMAN, 1847, Stekene, EF. died in St. Niklaas.  
 I 10 BOYIE, St. Laureins, EF  
 I 03 BROGNIEZ, 1880? Haine St. Paul, HT.  
 I 11 Coopman, setteld in Alberta, Canada  
 I 05 CREMONT, 1823, Liege? LG  
 I 04 DANNEELS, Lapscheure, WF.  
 I 13 DE BLOCK, 1780 ? Stekene, EF.  
 I 12 DELLAERT, settled in Illinois  
 I 13 DEMEESTER, Zuiddorpe, Netherland, 1881 Kemzeke, EF. settled in Alberta,  
 I 14 De SAVOYE, 1636, Ath, HT.  
 I 10 DORSLAERE, 1900 Chicago, Ill. St. Laureins ? EF?  
 I 14 DUPONT, 1637 ? Ath? HT.  
 I 13 MARS, St. Gillis Waas ? EF. (1760?)  
 I 01 MARS, 1874, St. Niklaas ? EF.  
 I 09 MONFILS settled in Worcester, Mass. From ??? Belgium  
 I 05 RUWET, 1819, Liege, LG.  
 I 04 TIMMERMAN, Lapscheure, WF.  
 06 I VAN ASSCHE, 1881 Grosse Pointe Mich. 1845 Berchem Stop?? Belgium  
 I 01 VAN DER KELEN, 1850? St. Niklaas ? EF.  
 I 06 VERNIER, grosse Pointe, Mich. prior in Belgium  
 I 13 WINDEY, 1782 St. Gillis-Waas, EF.  
 I 01 ZIMMERMAN, 1873, St. Niklaas ? EF.

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 And guess who is on cloud 9 ? well, I have good reason to be; my husband, the children and myself will be going to Belgium on June 27th. coming back August 14th. Thru Rita Cousins, who will also be going to Belgium this summer, we found that Capitol Airways will start flying out of Boston direct to Bruxelles for \$ 300.00 round trip. We will be taking this airline which is the least expensive ( it also flies out of N.Y. for \$ 300.00; out of Chicago for \$ 350.00 direct to Bruxelles).  
 Genealogically speaking I have many plans, will let you know when I come back if I was able to fulfill them. Anyway, should you want a coherent answer to your letters, PLEASE make sure that I receive them before June 15th.

*documents for membership*

August newsletter will not have the usual format, but I am sure that you will find it very useful in your research.

Have you all received " Europe begins in Belgium with a Bonus " ?

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I indicated in previous newsletters that I wrote to the archives of the city of Antwerp; a few weeks ago I received a very courteous reply from Dr. J. Van Roey, archivist of the city of Antwerp. I will list below the questions asked and the answers received.

Q. Are the documents listed in " Major Genealogical Record Sources for Belgium " page 5, (I had enclosed a photocopy of it) open to the public ?

A. yes.

Q. Does the word " Vierschaar " mean Tribunal ?

A. yes.

Q. Is it possible from American records like this one ( I had enclosed a photocopy of the emigration index card of an ancestor of Loretta Demant, which listed just names, date of arrival, port of entry, etc. but no exact place of origin what's so ever) to find in the archives kept by the city of Antwerp the exact place of origin of these people? And what steps should be taken to do so?

A. It depends on the case, one has to analyze each individual cases, take into consideration all aspects of the case, examine various possibilities and try more than one way of doing research.

A great experience in this type of research and a deep knowledge of the archives are necessary to be successful in such research.

Could you give me more informations, how many " fiches" are you interested to use to start off with? Are you going to limit your search to that of Belgians or will you also include American citizens and others from various countries who came thru the Port of Antwerp ?

Now it's my turn to answer Mr. Van Roey's questions, but because I have no knowledge of the Archives of the City of Antwerp , my best move would be to meet with Mr. Van Roey and become acquainted first hand with the important sources of informations kept in the Archives of Antwerp. Will let you know what happens.

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I also wrote to " Musée Royale de l'Armée et de l'Histoire Militaire"

Q. What is the Chibert and Colin collection? is it open to the public?

A. I do not know of the Chibert collection, perhaps you mean Brouwet Collection, which is an impressive collection of records relating to the 1st. Empire - mainly decorations - and also a rich library also about the 1st Empire\*, it's open to the public. The Colin Collection is made of many thousands of genealogical records researched by Colin, a musicologist and ex-archivist of the City of Brussels, it's open to the public.

Q. Do you know of any books/theses which could help us understand Belgium's regiments and the various ways the Belgian Army recruited its soldiers ?

A. There are many books about the Belgian Army; right now, the Museum is printing a Belgian military history with more than 9,000 titles ! There is also a quite recent book by Luc A. Lecleir, L'Infanterie. Filiations et Traditions, 1972; and 2 other books also very interesting; by Ch. Terlinden, Histoire Militaire des Belges 1966, 2vols. and E. Wandy, Le Milieu Militaire Belge de 1831 a 1934 compiled in 1975

\* 1st. Empire refers to the First Empire of France (1804-1815) ruled by Napoleon I; Belgium was under French rule during those years.

The above correspondance was conducted in French.

FROM OUR MEMBERS

Ted Cook wants to remind us that there has been a reorganization of the local governments in Belgium, many of the towns are now grouped together in one administrative office; also he mentions that to make a copy of a microfilm it cost \$ 6.00 - the new price that we are paying (\$2.00) doesn't even come close to it. Ted received a very nice letter from the secretary of Wakken who gave him the following informations about the Coucke/Cook family who left Wakken for the U.S. Sept. 8, 1849

COUCKE Karel, Houtzager (sawyer) 42 jaar.

DEMEULEMEESTER Francisca, huisvrouw (housewife) 42 jaar, geboren (born) te Machelen

COUCKE Ivo, 16 jaar

COUCKE Leonard, 6 jaar

COUCKE Philomena, 4 jaar

This family left with 39 other people from Wakken, the trip took 109 days -

The town of Wakken is very old, it was mentioned for the first time in the history of Flanders in 1200, long before some big cities of Flanders were born. The population of Wakken is of about 2,600 inhabitants which is about the same number of people who were living in Wakken during the Middle Ages.

Wakken belongs now with Oeselgem, Markegem and Dentergem to one town officially named DENTERGEM.

Ted Cook was lucky enough to go to Salt Lake and was able to find a lot of informations about his ancestors, he had to wait one day before viewing the Belgian microfilms which are kept in the vaults. (People living in the Salt Lake area, have to order the microfilms and wait for them like anybody else in the branch libraries - in Ted's case an exception was made).

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Pierre Inghels will have access to "Indicateur Nobiliaire de France, de Belgique, de Hollande, d'Allemagne, d'Espagne, d'Italie, et d'Angleterre" until the end of July - see below -

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# NOBILIAIRE

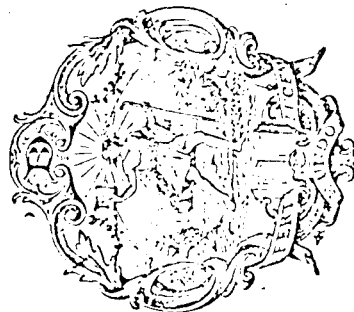
DE FRANCE, DE BELGIQUE

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PARIS

LIBRAIRIE BACHELIN-DEFLORENNE

3, QUAI MALAQUAIS

1869

Pierre is a man of many talents.....

## Flemish fricadelles garner first prize for Inghels

### Flemish Fricadelles

(Meatballs poached  
in lemon sauce)

Serves 4.

Meat:

1 lb. butter  
½ cup finely chopped onions  
2 slices homemade type fresh  
white bread (crusts removed)  
2 tb. milk (or heavy cream)  
One-third lb. lean pound beef  
One-third lb. lean ground pork  
One-third lb. lean ground veal  
(or substitute with pound turkey if  
necessary)

(Ask your butcher to grind  
these three ingredients together)

3 flat anchovy fillets, coarsely  
chopped (or substitute 1 tsp. an-  
chovy paste)

2 tb. finely chopped fresh  
parsley

2 eggs

1 tsp. finely grated lemon peel

½ tsp. salt

¼ tsp. finely ground black pep-  
per

Cook the chopped onions slowly,  
without browning in the butter.  
Tear the bread into small pieces,  
add the milk or cream and mix  
well. Add the other ingredients  
and knead vigorously with both  
hands. Then put the mixture  
again through the finest blade of a  
meat grinder or process with the  
steel blade in the food processor.  
Moistening your hands with cold  
water, shape the mixture into  
equal sized balls about 1 inch in  
diameter.

### Poaching broth

2 qt. water

2 medium-sized onion pierced  
with 1 whole clove

1 bay leaf

1 clove garlic

1 tsp. salt

Bring all this to a boil over high  
heat, and boil uncovered for 15  
minutes. Then drop in the meat  
balls. Simmer uncovered for 20  
minutes, until the fricadelles rise  
to the surface. Take out the  
fricadelles cover them with  
aluminum foil to avoid darkening  
of the meat. Strain the poaching  
liquid through a fine sieve and  
save to make the sauce.

### Sauce

4 tb. butter

4 tb. flour

3 tb. fresh lemon juice

1 tb. capers (optional but ex-  
cellent)

2 egg yolks mixed with 2 tb.  
milk or cream

2 tb. sour cream (optional)

Melt the butter, when the foam  
subsides stir in the flour and cook

without letting it brown. When the  
mixture starts to foam pour in 3  
cups of poaching liquid and bring  
to a boil, stirring constantly with a  
wire whisk until the sauce  
thickens and is smooth. Reduce  
heat, add lemon juice and capers.  
Simmer uncovered for 15 minutes  
stirring occasionally. Add the egg  
yolk and cream mixture as well as  
the sour cream. Taste for season-  
ing. Add meat balls and simmer  
until heated.

Traditionally this is served over  
plain boiled potatoes, but is very  
good with plain rice. As an ac-  
companying vegetable dish serve  
braised leeks and/or a tossed  
salad.

Pierre Inghels

La Grande

Surnames of people  
from Thisnes, Liège who  
emigrated to the U.S.  
JOACHIM, CHAVRE, MEHAGNOU  
FORVILLE, LIBOTTE, MILQUE  
SIBILLE, CORBUSIER,  
ADAM, LINSMEAU, LEGROS,  
WINAND, DUCHESNE, HALLET,  
GOFFART, RAPPE., OTTERS.

Aware that there is a  
possibility that the  
Court House Records of  
Wisconsin will be closed,  
The Bay Area Genealogical  
Society urges Wisconsin  
and out-of-staters to writ-  
to: State Rep. John R. PLEW  
Chairman,  
Assembly State Affairs  
Committee  
Room 107 - N- State Capit  
Madison, Wisconsin 53702  
and voice their feelings  
about that subject.

Not far from Namur Lake  
in Ontario, Canada, flows  
the river Liège.....  
There is another Namur  
in Papineau Co. Quebec,  
a Limbour near Ottawa,  
a Waterloo near Kitchener  
Ontario.

Cont. from page 9 - Denise Thibault.

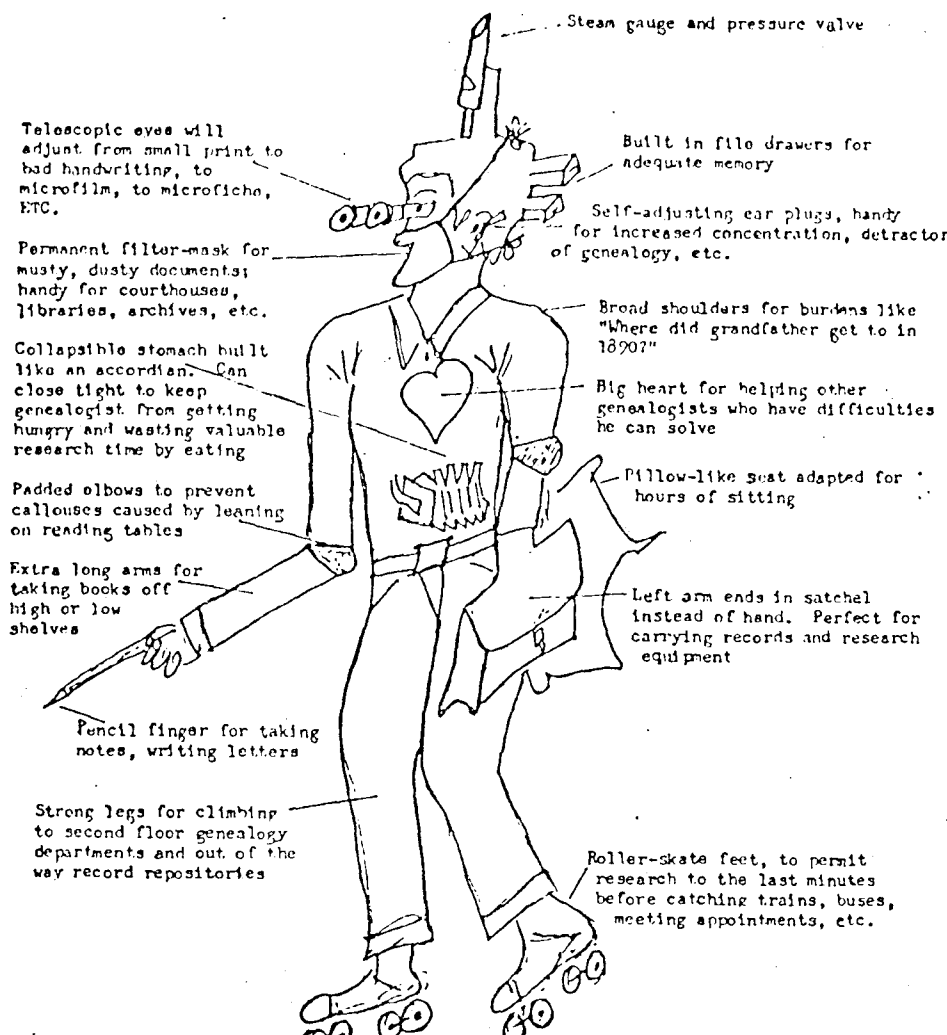
1974 La Famille Lamarche, 750 BF. - 1975 Les  
Ascendants du Chevalier Ado Malevez, 500 BF. -

1976, Dictionnaire des Cris et Devises de la  
Noblesse Belge, 800 BF. - 1977, Rubens et  
ses Descendants, Vol. 1, 700 BF. - 1979, Les Donnea,  
975 BF. -

Special Publications : Epitaphier du Canton de  
Jodoigne, 100BF. - Calendrier Héraldique 1972, 100BF.  
La Généalogie et l'Héraldique en Belgique, brochure  
d'initiation, 16 pages 100BF. - Jardin d'Armoiries  
du Hainaut, 100BF. - Généalogies Bourge, Cels,  
Othee, Elsen, 100 BF.

30 Belgian Francs = \$ 1.00 (about)

Seen in Vivegnis (Liege) Parish Records :  
15 May 1737, the bell-tower of the church in  
Herstal was destroyed by lightning, the milk  
and the great amount of vinegar used to try to  
extinguish the fire, didn't help much !



Charlotte Rogers is a grandmother! the lucky little boy, described as smart, sweet, beautiful, a honey, is named Adam Lawrence SPEECE. Charlotte is really enjoying her Belgian research - even if her dedication makes her a target for teasing by members of her family..... The perfect genealogist is from her son Graig, who found it in library in St. George, Ut. It's lovable isn't? We also received many microfilms numbers from Charlotte, here they are:  
# 590,426 - Listes des Patronymes des Tableaux d'ascendances - (21,000 surnames)  
For the Province of Brabant:  
# 1,073,478 - 10 year tables to birth, marriages, deaths for towns C-R, 1792-1812

# 1,073,447 - 10 year births towns A-M 1792-1802  
# 1,073,448 - 10 year birth towns N-Q 1792-1802  
# 1,073,449 - 10 year births towns G-N, 1802-1822?

# 1,073,450 - 10 year to births towns L-W 1823-1832  
# 1,073,451 - 10 year births towns A-N 1833-1842  
1,073,452 - 10 year births towns N-W 1833-1842  
# 1,073,453 10 year births to towns A-W 1843-1850  
# 1,073,454 " " " " A-S 1851-1860  
1,073,455 " " " " S-W 1851-1860  
# 1,073,456 " " " " A-L 1861-1870  
# 1,073,457 " " " " M-W 1861-1870  
# 1,073,458 " " Marriages " A-W 1792-1802  
# 1,073,459 " " " " A-M 1802-1822  
# 1,073,460 " " " " N-W 1802-1822  
# 1,073,461 " " " " A-W 1823-1832  
# 1,073,462 " " " " A-W 1833-1842  
# 1,073,463 " " " " A-W 1843-1850  
# 1,073,464 " " " " A-G 1851-1860  
# 1,073,465 " " " " G-W 1851-1860  
# 1,073,466 " " " " A-L 1861-1870  
# 1,073,467 " " " " M-W 1861-1870  
# 1,073,468 " " deaths " A-N 1792-1802  
# 1,073,469 " " " " O-W 1792-1802  
# 1,073,470 " " " " A-M 1802-1822  
# 1,073,471 " " " " N-W 1802-1822  
# 1,073,472 " " " " A-W 1823-1832  
# 1,073,473 " " " " A-W 1833-1842  
# 1,073,474 " " " " A-W 1843-1850  
1,073,475 " " " " A-W 1851-1860

# 1,073,476 10 year deaths towns A-J 1861-1870

# 1,073, 476- 10 year deaths towns J-W 1861-1870

Seen in the "Lurquin Addition" Genealogy-- Begins as an interest, becomes a hobby, continues as an avocation, takes over as an obsession, and in its last stage is an incurable disease.

Charlotte Rogers, cont.

- Microfilms numbers for Grez-Doiceau (in Flemish Graven) 8 rolls 35mm. index  
Handwritten - Brabant, Belgium
- # 1,076,617 Item 1 Births 1795-1811 has also Bapt. Marr. Burials late 1700's
  - Item 2 " 1795-1812 filmed with church records
  - # 1,076,618 Births 1813-1842
  - # 1,076,619 " 1843-1860
  - # 1,078,092 Marriages 1798-1811
  - # 1,078,093 Marriages 1813-1860
  - # 1,076,592 marriage publications 1804-1860
  - # 1,076,593 deaths 1801-1812 1797-1811
  - # 1,076,594 " 1813-1860
  - # 616,909 Index to Bapt. Marriages, burials 1612-1796
  - Bapt. Marr. Bur. 1612-1652 1661-1728
  - Population 1670-1728
  - # 616,910 Bapt. Marr. Deaths 1728-1777 1778-1796
  - Bapt. 1677-1718
  - Population 1830
  - 3 rolls index handwritten
  - # 616,488 births deaths 1792-1802
  - marriages 1792-1801
  - # 616,489 Births 1802-1811
  - Marr. 1802-1812
  - # 616,490 deaths 1802-1811

On the population registers for Grez-Doiceau 1846-1866 (Film # 437,234 )  
Jean Francois Degeulde (Degeuldre) direct ancestor of Charlotte is listed  
as living with a family by the name of HUBERT, after the death of Jean  
Francois Degeuldre in 1849, actually 10 years later, Jean Baptiste HUBERT  
and his wife ?????HOUILLET came to the U.S. (18 May 1859).  
There was also 2 people from Grez-Doiceau who came to the U.S. 29 Sept. 1854  
they were : Marie Catherine NOEL , 22, born Grez and Jean ?? NOEL born  
Grez, 14.

Microfilms numbers for Bonlez-Brabant

- # 1,074,396 Births 1797-1822 - Roman Catholic 1779-1792
- # 1,074,397 Births 1823-1860- marriages 1797-1860
- # 1,074,398 marriages 1861-1870, marriage proclamations 1797-1870
- # 1,074,399 deaths 1797-1870
- # 622,084 Index of Church records 1662-1782
- # 616,913 Births, Bapt. 1704-1765 1783-1796 1803-1812

Microfilms numbers for Baisy-Thy

- # 1,073,497 Births 1796-1813 , Roman Cath. Bapt. Marr. Deaths 1779-1793
- # 1,073,498 births 1814-1860
- # 1,073,499 marriages 1797-1860
- # 617,174 1802-1823 Roman Catholic Bapt. Marr. 1801-1813
- # 617,175 deaths 1801-1813
- # 622,083 Index 1700-1800 Roman Catholic church registers
- Bapt. 1707-1761 Marriages and deaths 165-1760

Most of the microfilms listed here are not yet on the index kept in the branch  
libraries, they were found in the updated index kept in Salt Lake.

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Ardiena Stegen mentioned that the new listing of microfilms arriving daily  
at the Genealogical Dept. is now fed into a computer, to which she  
doesn't have access - probably a new and faster way to find microfilms  
numbers is being devised - meanwhile, we will have to be a little bit  
patient.

## Belgium - September, 1978 - A Resumé

On Wednesday, September 13, members of the Peninsula Belgian-American Club left Green Bay by bus for Chicago's O'Hare Field. We boarded a KLM 747 at 5:30 P.M., bound for Amsterdam. By midnight, our time, the sun was rising in the east. We landed about mid-morning and changed planes for Brussels, just a short flight from Amsterdam. From there we were bussed to Namur where a crowd was awaiting us at the Centre Fabiola at the top of the Citadelle.

We were greeted by people whom we had met the previous year in America. Through the courtesy of the Belgian Wallonie-Wisconsin Club, we were served a typical Belgian dinner consisting of potage (soup), aviances (sausages wrapped in pastry), tartes (real Belgian pie), and plenty of beer! This was the first of many stomach-filling experiences. There was much conversation, too, and planning for the two weeks in Belgium.

One of my Binon cousins and his wife, and seven or eight Defnet cousins came to meet us. It was here that we became aware of the language problem ---something I hadn't worried about beforehand. I had translated many documents, and we had listened to records and tapes to learn some pronunciation. We found this to be grossly inadequate. As the days went on, we were even more sorry we had not taken French lessons!

During the next two weeks, we were treated with great concern and kindness. We became acquainted with many relatives and new friends. We were invited to many different homes---more than we could visit in the two weeks' time! The food was very good and plenty of it. There were a few things we were unaccustomed to eating, such as mussels, eel, tongue, and strong cheese. I must mention that the "frites" were most delicious. We called them French fries, but were told they should be called Belgian fries because they were made famous by the Belgians! The variety of wine seemed endless. Wine, beer, and sometimes coffee, were served at every lunch and dinner. Drinking water had to be requested. This was most difficult to get used to. The tap water in Belgium is not good, so water for drinking is purchased in bottles, even in restaurants. The Belgian people, however, seldom drink water!

In Namur we attended receptions at both the City Hall and the Province Hall. We were given a tour of the Citadelle which had only recently been opened to the public, and we viewed the art treasures at the Museum. We visited several churches, and did some shopping in the many stores in the city. Our trip to Belgium was scheduled to coincide with the annual Kermis in Namur which lasts for three days. The highlight of the celebration was an invitation to march in the Memorial Day parade behind the U.S. Army band to the military cemetery in Namur. As we approached the cemetery gate, we were applauded by the Belgian people. This gave me goosebumps and brought tears to my eyes. These people have endured many hardships and have not forgotten the assistance received from America during the Wars.

Other places we visited included Brugge, Brussels, Gembloux, Ottignies, Ceroux-Mousty, Rochefort, Chevetogne, Denée, Notre Dame de Foy, Jambes, Grand Leez (Defnet place of origin), Longchamps and Trieux-des-Frenes (Binon places of origin), and Blanden and Oud-Heverlee (ancestral homes of Lurquins and Devroeyes). Genealogically speaking, I did not accomplish a lot. The gravestones in the many cemeteries we visited were not old. Land is scarce and, as a result, the burial plots are kept for only 25 or 50 years and then resold. Through the courtesy of a cousin of mine, who is a Town official, I was able to look at the record book showing the birth of my Great-grandfather Binon. It was a great thrill for me to see the villages from where my ancestors came.



Perhaps, some day I shall again be able to visit Belgium, become reacquainted with the wonderful people, and see the beautiful flowers ---flowers, flowers, everywhere! In the meantime, I'll look over and over at my three albums of photographs, look at the books and feel the lace given to us as gifts, write letters, and try to learn some more French!

Mary Ann Defnet  
Green Bay, Wisconsin

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Margot Hykes was very happy to find Macquenoise on the map of Hainaut published in Belgian Laces # 9, it was also on her own map of Belgium but perhaps because it was too detailed, she had not been able to find it before, she says: " My Hagemans grandfather's family owned property at Macquenoise, and some of the happiest times of an otherwise rather lonely motherless boyhood (his mother died when he was six) were spend there on school vacations. He even wrote a book about that area " Les Nuits du Garde, Souvenirs du Pays Wallon " by Paul Hagemans, Bruxelles, Imprimerie Felix Callewaert Pere, Ve. Monnon Successeur, rue de l'Industrie, 26 -1886.

As was frequently the 19th. century custom in writing, he changed all names, including that of the village (which he changed to Fallenoise), but of course we in the family know the right names (or at least some of them). Also his father (Gustave Hagemans) wrote a history of the Pays of Chimay. I've always thought it rather interesting historical detail that during the Franco-Prussian war they heard the guns of the Battle of Sedan from there. My Grandfather, age 16, wanted to "join up", but his father forbade it. "

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Denise Thibault is happy ! finally she is getting somewhere on her Vandersmissen lines, she hired a genealogist who has found the information that she wanted. Actually Denise knew where the Vandersmissen came from, her problem was with the town hall of Sint-Maria-Lierde who sent her partial information; how would you like an ETC.... instead of the names of the parents of the newborn ? well, that's what was so upsetting and frustrating. It's interesting to note that Vandersmissen was also spelled Versmissen. She sent us a list of publications by "Office Généalogique et Héraldique de Belgique " (Family names underlined).

1952 Exposition Heraldique; 100 BF. - 1953 Recueil Généalogique et Héraldique, Van Santen in Brabant; N/A - 1954 Recueil Généalogique et Héraldique, Langenhove in Alost, 250 BF. - Recueil Généalogique et Héraldique, du Smet in Naples, de Deckere, 250 BF. - 1956 Recueil Généalogique et Héraldique, de Potter, 250BF. - 1957 Recueil Généalogique et Héraldique, de Clerc de Bouvekereke, 250BF. - 1958 Recueil Généalogique et Héraldique, Henry, Pinte, Porez, Ansembourg, Diesbach, 250BF. - 1959 Recueil du Congrès International des Sciences Généalogique et Héraldique, 500BF. - 1959 Recueil Généalogique et Héraldique, Boels, Lambert de Rouvroit, Lobkowicz, Moens de Fernis, Orts, Wassenhove, Woelmont, Yve de Ravay, Chimay, 250BF. 1961, Recueil Généalogique et Héraldique, N/A. - 1962 Généalogie de la Famille Guyot, Hennin de Boussu Walcourt, La Marck, Maisieres, 250BF - 1963 Genealogie de la Famille van der Belen, Ghellinck, Grisar, Jacquart, Mensdorff-Pouilly, Vercruyse of Courtrai, N/A. - 1964 Descendance de Jan-Baptiste de Brouwer et Louis-Colette Isabelle Muuls, Timary, 500BF. Souvenirs d'Emigration, Croy, N/A/ - 1968 Recherches sur les de la Vingne, 500 BF. - 1969 Recherches sur les de la Vingne, N/A - Histoire de la Terre de Neffe, 500 BF. - 1971 Les Thomaz de Bossiere, 500 BF, - 1972, Histoire de la Famille Plissart, 500 BF. - Anne d'Egmont, 500 BF., 1973 Recueil du XI Congres International des Sciences Généalogique et Héraldique, 1,500 BF

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Famere, H.	Section 14	40 acres
Farmere, J.B.	Section 13	80 acres
Fassian, J.B.	Section 33	40 acres
Fenendale, A.	Section 12	80 acres
Fenesdal, E.	Section 15	40 acres
Ferron, E.	Section 14	40 acres
Ferron, E.	Section 23	40 acres
Ferron, Florian	Section 14	80 acres
Ferron, J.J.	Section 24	40 acres
Ferron, Jos.	Section 14	40 acres
Ferron, M.	Section 15	40 acres
Ferron, M.	Section 23	40 acres
Finendael, H.	Section 13	80 acres
Flavion, Louis	Section 24	120 acres
Fortemps, E.	Section 8	40 acres
Fortemps, F.	Section 4	80 acres
Fortemps, F.	Section 9	40 acres
Foshion, P.	Section 28	40 acres
Frisque, D.	Section 34	80 acres
Frisque, F.	Section 33	20 acres
Frisque, M.	Section 34	40 acres
Fronee, F.	Section 25	80 acres
Gaspart, A.	Section 28	40 acres
Gaspart, Jule	Section 15	80 acres
Gaspart, V.	Section 34	40 acres
Gaspart, V.	Section 35	20 acres
Geline, A.	Section 4	40 acres
Geline, F.J.	Section 3	40 acres
Geniesse(Gemesse?), J.B.	Section 3	40 acres
Geroard, M.	Section 4	40 acres (approximately)
Gillis, H.	Section 30	70 acres
Gillis, P.	Section 29	80 acres
Gilson, A.	Section 14	40 acres
Gilson, A.	Section 24	40 acres
Gilson, L.	Section 23	40 acres
Gilson, X.	Section 23	40 acres
Gilson, X.	Section 26	40 acres
Gilsoul, Jule	Section 10	40 acres
Giniesse(Gemesse?), J.B.	Section 3	40 acres
Glisne, Jos.	Section 3	40 acres (approximately)
Godfricair, F.	Section 9	40 acres
Guilltre, J.	Section 1	40 acres (approximately)
Guilltre, J.	Section 2	40 acres (approximately)
Guilltre, Jos.	Section 2	60 acres
Haeyers, A.P.	Section 10	40 acres
Haeyers, F.	Section 2	40 acres (approximately)
Haeyers, F.	Section 11	40 acres
Haeyers, F.	Section 14	80 acres
Haeyers, F.	Section 34	40 acres
Haeyers, P.	Section 31	80 acres
Hallet, V.	Section 29	40 acres
Halloin, A.	Section 32	50 acres
Hannon, J.B.	Section 4	20 acres
Hannon, J.B.	Section 9	80 acres
Hannon, J.B.	Section 11	40 acres
Hannon, J.J.	Section 30	120 acres

From Martha Ann  
THEIS; obituary  
found in a Tiffin  
Ohio newspaper

### Franciscus Nagels

Franciscus J. Nagels,  
79, of Deurne-Antwerp,  
Belgium, died at 2:15  
p.m. Sunday, March 4,  
1979, at Autumnwood  
Nursing Home. He had  
been in failing health  
since Jan. 1 and had been  
visiting in Tiffin with a  
daughter prior to his  
illness.

He was born March 14,  
1899, in Schoten,  
Belgium, to Ludivicus  
and Maria (Dekkers)  
Nagels, and had been a  
stevedore before his  
retirement. On March 29,  
1919, in Deurne-Antwerp,  
he married Anna Dan-  
ckaers, who is also in  
Tiffin.

Also surviving are a  
daughter, Mrs. Clifford  
(Maria) Adams of Tiffin;  
a daughter-in-law, Maria  
Vleminx Nagels of  
Deurne-Antwerp; a  
brother, Louis; two  
sisters, Rose Verstraeten  
and Josephine Engelen of  
Belgium; four grand-  
children and nine great-  
grandchildren. A son,  
Henry, and a brother are  
deceased.

Services will be at 1  
p.m. Thursday in the  
Hannay-Nemeth Mor-  
tuary. Burial will be in  
Fairmont Cemetery.

Calling hours at the  
mortuary will be from 7-9  
p.m. Wednesday.

Henry, J.R.	Section 11	40 acres
Henry, L.	Section 19	80 acres
Hollet, E.	Section 32	40 acres
Hostlet, A.	Section 25	40 acres
Hostlet, A.	Section 36	40 acres
Hostlet, E.	Section 36	40 acres
Houart, V.	Section 23	40 acres
Houart, V.	Section 24	40 acres
Houart, V.	Section 24	40 acres
Hullet, E.	Section 28	40 acres
Ingelbus, E.	Section 3	40 acres
Ingot & Co.	Section 11	40 acres
Ingot & Co.	Section 11	40 acres
Jacquart, H.	Section 5	80 acres (approximately)
Jacquart, T.	Section 20	40 acres
Jacquart, T.	Section 20	40 acres
Jadin, J.B.	Section 22	120 acres
Jadot, L.	Section 22	40 acres
Jassart, David	Section 31	60 acres
Jenquine, C.	Section 30	40 acres
Jenson, J.	Section 3	40 acres
Jenson, J.	Section 3	40 acres
Jenson, J.	Section 4	40 acres
Jenson, J.	Section 4	20 acres
Jonet, F.	Section 32	40 acres
Joniaux, T.	Section 34	40 acres
Joniaux, Theo.	Section 35	100 acres
Junion, L.	Section 26	40 acres
Junion, P.	Section 26	40 acres
Junion, P.	Section 35	45 acres
Junion, P.	Section 35	40 acres
Junion, X.	Section 35	40 acres
Kane, E.C.(Estate of)	Section 11	160 acres
Kane, E.C.(Estate of)	Section 12	120 acres
Kaye, V.	Section 12	40 acres
Kies, V.	Section 1	40 acres
Ia Court, D.	Section 28	20 acres
Iacourt, D.	Section 33	60 acres
Ia Court, J.B.	Section 23	80 acres
Iacroix, L.	Section 1	20 acres
Iafebre, J.	Section 8	80 acres
Ialuzem, H.	Section 3	40 acres (approximately)
Ialuzern, A.	Section 1	120 acres
Ialuzerne, Jos.	Section 2	60 acres (approximately)
Iamine, L.	Section 30	40 acres
Iancelle, N.	Section 9	40 acres
Iancelle, N.	Section 10	40 acres
Ianglais, M.	Section 8	40 acres
Iardinois, F.	Section 22	40 acres
Iardinois, F.	Section 27	100 acres
Iauzern, Jos.	Section 4	40 acres
Iefevre, A.	Section 13	80 acres
Iefevre, A.	Section 24	40 acres
Iefevre, C.	Section 13	40 acres

**Earliest Automobile.** The earliest car of which there is record is a two-foot-long model constructed by Ferdinand Verbiest (died 1687), a Belgian Jesuit priest, described in his *Astronomia Europaea*. His model was possibly inspired either by Giovanni Branca's description of a steam turbine, published in 1629, or by writings as "fire carts" during the Chu dynasty (c. 800 B.C.) in the library of the Emperor Khang-hi of China, to whom he was an astronomer during the period c. 1665-40.

Most of the 10 Belgian families first to settle in Wisconsin were from Grez-Doiceau, Bt. They were the Petiniot, Detienne, Paque, Hannon, Masy, Moreau, Detienne, Jossart, Bodart, and Martin Families. They boarded the "Queenebec" May 18, 1853 at Antwerp, arrived in New York on July 5. They settled in Brown Co. Wisconsin.

Lefevre, Ch.	Section 13	80 acres
Lefevre, Jos.	Section 14	80 acres
Lefevre, Jos.	Section 15	40 acres
Lefevre, P.	Section 35	80 acres
Lefevre, P.	Section 36	40 acres
Lefevre, V.J.	Section 25	40 acres
Legreve, P.	Section 1	120 acres
Leroy, S.	Section 7	40 acres
Leroy, S.	Section 18	40 acres
Libouton, C.	Section 31	20 acres
Libouton, C.	Section 31	20 acres
Ligot & Co.	Section 17	40 acres
Ligot, L.	Section 7	25 acres (approximately)
Ligot, L.	Section 7	20 acres (approximately)
Ligot, L.	Section 18	40 acres
Looze, C.	Section 31	30 acres
Looze, H.	Section 36	40 acres
Looze, P.	Section 26	40 acres
Lorge, J.	Section 26	40 acres
Macan, A.	Section 18	80 acres (approximately)
Macau, V.	Section 18	40 acres
Macon, A.	Section 18	40 acres
Macon, F.	Section 19	40 acres (approximately)
Macon, V.	Section 19	40 acres
Malcorps, Des.	Section 4	80 acres
Marcelle, X.	Section 9	80 acres
Marchant, A.	Section 6	40 acres (approximately)
Marian, A.M.	Section 8	40 acres
Martin, M.	Section 6	40 acres (approximately)
Massart, F.F.	Section 12	80 acres
Masse, Ursile	Section 27	40 acres
Masse, Ursile	Section 27	40 acres
Masset, V.	Section 15	40 acres
Masset, Z.	Section 17	40 acres
Mc Donald, F.	Section 1	40 acres
Merters, J.	Section 28	40 acres
Metzner, ?	Section 11	40 acres
Metzner, C.	Section 1	40 acres
Metzner, C.	Section 11	40 acres
Metzner, C.	Section 12	40 acres
Metzner, Chas.	Section 2	200 acres
Moentz, Mary	Section 2	80 acres
Monard, Jos.	Section 34	40 acres
Monford, G.	Section 27	80 acres
Monford, G.	Section 33	35 acres (approximately)
Montfort, Mrs. J.	Section 25	100 acres
Moreau, D.	Section 25	40 acres
Moreau, D.	Section 26	40 acres
Moreau, V.	Section 24	40 acres
Moreaux, Julien	Section 36	80 acres
Moreaux, J.	Section 36	20 acres
Mornard, J.	Section 35	20 acres
Morough, Jos.	Section 22	40 acres
Motard, E.	Section 35	30 acres
Mottard, F.	Section 26	40 acres
Mottard, Jos.	Section 36	60 acres
Mounse, F.	Section 2	40 acres
Mullen, Anna	Section 22	80 acres

Ted Cook received a nice free map of Belgium from : Belgian National Tourist Office  
745 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10022

From Michael Gaudette  
Guinness Book of World Records  
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Pulling with Teeth. The "strongest teeth in the world" belong to "Hercules" John Massis (b. Wilfried Oscar Morbecq, June 4, 1940) of St. Annaberg, Belgium, who in October, 1976, demonstrated the ability to pull a locomotive and a truck weighing 5 tons on a level track at Park Royal, London, with a bit in his teeth. At Extry, France, on March 27, 1976, he raised a weight of 5 tons from the ground with a bit in his teeth.

Commune of the county and 1 mile W. of Dhuy, of the district and 2 3/4 miles N.N.W. of Namur. It's bordered N. by Liernu and St. Germain, E. by Dhuy, S. by St. Denis, W. by Lonzee and Grand-Leez. Its hamlets are Tripsee, Racour, Mehagnoul and Le Moulin. It covers about 2,288 acres, and it's watered by the Mehaigne springs. The landscape is uneven with gentle slopes. The best land is made of dry argile and is located on high ground; the soil is also argileous in the lower section but it's too humid and too cold. Some less productive sections are sandy and marshy, or located on top of plastic argile.

The main crops are of wheat, oats and rye; barley in lesser amount. Various vegetables, fodder, not many apple trees - 360 acres of community woods where the death wood is now in process of being removed. The crops rotation is done every 6 years : 1st year, wheat and barley; 2nd year, rye mixed with clover which is harvested during the 3rd. year; 4th year, wheat; 5th. year, oats and fodder; 6th. year, rest. The farming of 1 bonnier (3 1/3 acres) cost 22 florins; fertilizers used are : dungs, lime and peat ashes. Horses are raised for the light cavalry and for artillery. Many cattleheads and pigs. Farmyards are full of chicken, pigeons and ducks; very little bee keeping; hares, partridges and quails in little numbers.

The population is made of 502 men and 521 women, for a total of 1023 inhabitants. There are 6 farms, 170 rural houses - most made of wood and argile with thatched roofs. There is a recently built church; a town hall and an elementary school. Mrs. de Legilon has a country house in Meux.

Commerce and Industry: Export of farming goods and cattle heads - spinning and weaving of hemp and flax. There are 2 flour windmills; 2 blacksmiths; 2 wheelwrights and 4 merchants of wood and grains. This commune is located 2 miles from the main roads leading from Namur to Brussels and from Namur to Leuven; at 1 mile of the road going from Namur to Gembloux. There are a few secondary roads crossing the commune which are almost unusable during the winter. There are 3 brick culverts and 6 made of wood.

#### WAKKEN, Province of West Flanders

Gemeente of the county and at 7/8 mile E. 1/4 N.E. of Oost-Roosebeke, of the district and at 3 1/3 miles N.E. of Kortrijk and at 5 3/4 miles S.S.E. of the main-town of the province. Its sections are : Oosthoek, Molen-Couter, Baille-Couter. The waterway Le Mandelbeke separate this gemeente from that of St. Baafs-Vijve. There is one pond. The land is flat, 2/3 sandy, 1/3 argileous. The main crop is rye, but there are also some crops of wheat, buckwheat, barley, oat, horse beans, flax, rapeseeds, fodder, vegetables and fruits. In average, this territory produces 3,000 bushels of wheat, 6,000 of rye, 1,800 of rapeseeds, 120

of oats, 600 bushels of flax seeds. The rotation of crops is done as follows: 1st. year, flax; 2nd year, rye; 3rd. year, rapeseeds or oats; 4th. year, clover; 5th. year, wheat or rye; 6th. year, potatoes or oats; 7th. year, flax or rye. The main fertilizers used by farmers to better the land is mostly a mixture of seeds (used to make oil) soaked in urine from cattle, ashes, dungs, horse manure and cattle manure, also lime but mostly for dense soil. There are horses, cattle heads, pigs, sheep and fowl. Not many beehives nor game animals. Many fishes are found in Le Mandelbeke, like pikes, perch, carp, tench and eels.

The population is of 2,441 inhabitants. This community looks like a city, with long streets, wide and straight; most houses are well built; in the village center there is a beautiful "square" in the shape of a triangle. One elementary school and one trade school.

This gemeente has 4 breweries, 4 stills, 1 tannery, 2 blue starch mills, 3 tobacco companies, 4 wind mills ( 3 for flour, 1 for oil), and 5 mills

GEOGRAPHICALLY SPEAKING, Wakken, W. Flanders; cont.

activated by horses, these mills are used to make tan, oil and to hull buckwheat.

There are 2 one day fairs each year; one is held on the Tuesday after Trinity Day, the second one is held on the Tuesday after St. Jean's Beheading Day.

The road Tielt- St. Eloois-Vijve goes thru Wakken from N. to S. Two wood bridges and one stone bridge on Le Mandelbeke to St. Eloois-Vijve.

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Searching for Maurice HOSLET/OSLET/OSLAIS, born Belgium around 1806, married Belgium to Jeanne DEBOTT around 1834. They had 4 children: Marie-Therese, Jean-Baptiste, Alphonse and Louis, all born Belgium. Marie-Therese was born in May of 1835 and Louis in 1849/50. Jean-Baptiste and Alphonse between those dates, They came to U.S. in 1855/56. According to a death notice for Maurice Hoslet, he was a soldier in Napoleon's army.

Mary Ann Defnet, 832 South Quincy St., Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301

We want to thank Tom Murphy for his gift of 2 National Geographic Magazines relating to Belgium and of the book by Conor Cruise O'Brien " To Katanga and Back ".

Huy's charter dated from the year 1066 proclaimed the inviolability of domicile which was also a refuge against private revenge.

Birth records from Ardoeye, W.F. cont. from page 12 Belgian Laces # 9 From George Jansen.

MUYLLE, Francisca, Reg. 1, page 35; 24 Aug. 1631  
 " Guilleilmus reg. 6, page 85, 7 Aug 1701  
 " Ambrosius, reg. 6, page 69, 21 Aug 1702  
 " Anne Marie, reg. 6, page 6; 13 Jan 1705  
 " Marie Catharine, reg. 6, page 16; 15 Jan 1705  
 " Pieter Joseph, reg. 6, page 39; 10 Jan 1707  
 " Emanuel, reg. 6, page 51; 6 Feb. 1709  
 " Jan, reg. 6, page 67; 29 March 1711  
 " Petrus, reg. 7, page 7; 6 Feb. 1709  
 " Jan, reg. 7 page 10, 6 April 1713  
 " Petrus, reg. 7, page 25; 4 April 1716  
 " Joanne Therese, reg. 7, page 87, 13 July 1727  
 " Hilarious, reg. 7 page 109, 23 Feb. 1730  
 " Constantia Regina, reg. 8, page 16, 24 June 1734  
 " Germaen, reg. 8, page 127, 31 May 1738  
 " Rosa, reg. 10, page 45, 5 Feb 1752  
 " Joanne Therese, page 69, reg. 10, 19 Feb. 1754  
 " Joanne Therese, reg. 10, page 108, 18 Feb. 1758  
 " Jan, reg. 10, page 110, 8 April 1759  
 " Anna Therese, reg. 11, page 3, 2 July 1760  
 " Angela, reg. 11. page 28, 19 Feb. 1763  
 " Martin, reg. 11, page 35, 9 Feb. 1764  
 " Marie, reg. 11, page 40, 25 March 1765  
 " Eugenius, reg. 11, page 57, 19 Feb. 1767  
 " Francis, reg. 11, page 64, 8 Feb. 1767  
 " Veronica, reg. 11, page 77, 16 Feb. 1768  
 " Martin, reg. 11, page 103, 6 Jan 1771  
 " Jan, reg.11, page 104 22 Jan 1771  
 " Antonius, reg. 11, page 122, 18 March 1772

MUYLLE, Coleta, reg. 12, page 18, 26 May 1774  
 " Clare Agnes, r.12,p.35, 15 July 1775  
 " Jacobus, r.12,p.37, 11 July 1775  
 " Hubert, r.12,p.102, 31 May 1779  
 " Anne Catherine, r.13,p.7,6 Feb.1791

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